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Neighbors in Action

Crosstown Tunnel EIR delayed, citizens fight to solidify gains

Battle over certification averted

By Jeff Marmer, Committee Against the Crosstown Tunnel

Finally, progress is being made in the fight to stop the City from building a huge Crosstown Tunnel. The tunnel would carry over three-quarters of the City's sewage and dump it in the ocean—with its 30 feet wide vent spewing odors and toxic air emissions atop Bernal Hill, at a cost of a quarter to half a billion dollars.

The Department of Public Works (DPW) and the Planning Department had hoped to have their Environmental Impact Report (EIR) wrapped up and to the supervisors for final approval and certification in early November. However, they ran into a mountain of citizen opposition that, at a minimum has delayed that timeline and possibly created the political space for the city to move in the right direction.

Winning two hard-fought extensions, the public bought another month to comment on this seriously flawed EIR. Trent Orr, a Bernal resident and expert in the California Environmental Quality Act, submitted a 20 page legal brief; testimony from the Monterey Marine Sanctuary expressing concerns about the impact of an additional 85 - 400 million gallon a day

of undertreated sewage; and a 20 page critique from Clean Water Action documenting the the tunnel's possible use for agricultural wastewater disposal as well as many other insufficiencies on the effects on water quality and marine life. Bernal residents Beth Abrams and Cal Broomhead also submitted a voluminous survey of viable wastewater solutions being successfully used in other cities.

Presented with this immense stack of public comments, the DPW says it will take up to six months for them to finish their "Response to Comments" document.

A lobbying campaign succeeded in building a majority on the Board of Supervisors, with seven supes clearly saying that the Crosstown Tunnel is a bad idea, or at a minimum, they want to see the full range of alternatives and impacts reviewed.

In recognition of this opposition, the DPW says, "We don't plan to proceed towards certification in the near future...we can count votes and it's clear we don't have them." The DPW also indicated a willingness to undertake a "reasonable" study of alternatives.



Get ready for another exciting Bernal party on October 22! See pages 8 & 9

The City's CAO, Rudy Nothenberg, stated his dismay that this EIR never mentioned the potential use of the Crosstown Tunnel for ocean disposal of agricultural wastewater—that he didn't learn of it until he read about it in a newspaper. He has since asked the Board of Supervisors to sponsor a resolution stating that the city is against this idea.

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Community responds to vicious attack on Bernal Hill

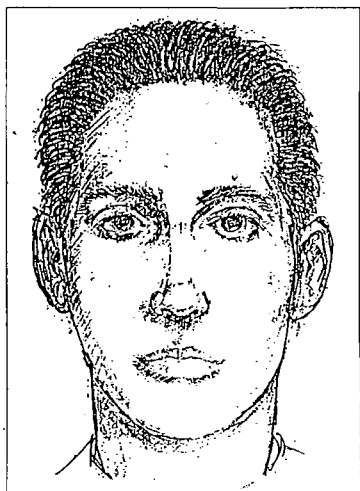
By Joy Ferguson, GMC Coordinator

In late August, Bernal Heights was shaken by the news of an attack on the Esmeralda Stairway near the Bernal Hilltop. A woman was stabbed repeatedly while going for a walk on Friday, August, 19th at 4:30 p.m. by a young man who has not yet been identified.

The woman, who does not want to be identified for fear of retribution, said that she was asked for money. When she told the man that she didn't have any, he then demanded sex. Upon her refusal, the man became angry and produced a knife, which the woman tried to grab from his hand.

The victim was stabbed several times, but fortunately survived the vicious attack. The suspect is described as a Hispanic male, about 16 years old, 5 feet, 2 inches, medium build, with black hair combed straight back and possibly a mole or blemish over the left eye.

As of late September, the Ingleside Station reported that the assailant had not yet been apprehended. The police has received several helpful tips; however, none of them have helped to locate the suspect. Anyone with more information about the attack is urged to call Officer Thomas Horan at 553-1201 or the Ingleside Police Station, 553-1602, and refer to case #941129656. Anonymous tips are



SFPD artist sketch of a young man suspected of viciously stabbing a woman jogger on Bernal Hilltop.

welcome.

Following up on the N.W. Bernal Block Club Special Meeting on August 23, the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center held a Community Safety Meeting. Over 30 neighbors came to talk with Police Captain Dower, Sergeant Leach, two other officers from the Ingleside Station and to also participate in a brief workshop by the Safety Awareness for Everyone program featured at the meeting. Concerned and worried neighbors wanted to know how to respond to the attack as individuals and as a community.

Captain Dower spoke of some of the ways that the police in our area have addressed and responded to concerns from neighbors in the

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Photo by Bruce Aichler

Bernal Women Artist Group members Tama Blough, Melinda Lightfoot, Beverly Carey-Koenig and Diana Corbin welcome neighbors to see their creative works during Open Studios in Bernal Heights, October 15 & 16.

Artist on the Hill

Bernal artists invite you to Open Studios '94

By Beverly Carey-Koenig with Scott Horton

Artspace's 1994 San Francisco Open Studios Open Studios, now in its 19th year, will take place in different neighborhoods throughout the city on four consecutive weekends this October.

For these four weekends only, the general public is invited behind the scenes into professional artists' private studios and homes to view and buy artwork where it is created. Over 700 artists will be featured, making it San Francisco's largest annual city-wide visual arts event.

Artists living and working in Bernal Heights will welcome the

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On September 17, over one thousand people joined in the procession from St. Anthony Parish to Precita Park, in celebration of the merge between Immaculate Conception and St. Anthony's.

Bernal Wish List

The Bernal Fiesta Youth and Family October Art Workshops need the following supplies. Donations can be brought to the Neighborhood Center at 515 Cortland Avenue. For more information, call Greg Gavin, Fiesta Arts Coordinator, 824-9604.

- Tempera or acrylic paints
- Paint brushes
- White Glue
- Colored paper, shredded paper
- Cardboard rolls/cores from paper towels or toilet paper and mailing or 12' carpet tubes.
- Large pieces of white or light colored fabrics

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- Plywood
- Plant cuttings, branches

Fiesta Children's Activities Wish List

- Sponsor for 1000 baby pumpkins
- Paint brushes, • Drop cloths
- Bright acrylic and water based paints
- Soap detergent for bubble making
- Quart and half gallon sized plastic bottles for terrariums
- Felt markers - all colors
- Bright crepe paper for decorating booths

All donations can be brought to the Neighborhood Center at 515 Cortland Avenue or call Demece Garepis at 206-2140.



Two Bernal churches merge Immaculate Conception avoids closure by joining St. Anthony's Parish

By Fr. Michael Weldon, OFM, St. Anthony Parish

More than a thousand people took part in ceremonies and a huge outdoor mass on September 17 celebrating the merger of Immaculate Conception Parish to its neighbor, St. Anthony of Padua. Archbishop John R. Quinn with Fr. Michael Weldon, OFM, pastor of St. Anthony and Fr. Guglielmo Lauriola, OFM now former pastor of Immaculate Conception walked in procession to Precita Park. Representatives of many cultures filled the park as Archbishop Quinn blessed the union of these two Bernal Heights Catholic commu-

nities.

The events also commemorated the one hundredth anniversary of St. Anthony Elementary School and welcomed students and faculty from Immaculate Conception Elementary. These two schools have been an important part of life on Bernal Heights for nearly a century and are currently in a process of study for a future merger.

Because of the enormous size of the crowds, the mass had to be held outdoors to accommodate the several hundred people in attendance. Fr. Michael mentioned that the school yard had seen much in its one hundred years. "Many brothers and sisters have met each

other in this place, sharing resources and laughter, giving comfort to each other, meeting spouses," he said. "We have been a center where immigrant people gathered to speak their own language, educate their children, serve the poor and care for the grieving."

Gratitude was also expressed for both the Italian and German communities of Bernal Heights, who helped establish the church and neighborhood decades ago. The Dominican Sisters of Mission San Jose, who have staffed both schools since they were opened, and who have always shared their tradition of Dominican "Veritas, that the truth that makes you free, that inquiry, study, a disciplined mind and generous heart could still change our world."

Together, the parishioners of both churches prayed for "Our future in Bernal Heights, now as a

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Youth mural project beautifies Precita

The last in a series of seven city-wide youth-directed mural projects is being completed at 327 Precita Avenue under the supervision of the Youth Arts Programs at Precita Eyes Mural Arts Center. Funded by a grant through the Neighborhood Beautification and Graffiti Clean Up Fund, the six feet by sixty feet mural features a portrait of son Joe Fradella, an honored Precita Valley neighbor. His son, a fourth generation San Franciscan, stands amongst colorful rainbows and clouds. Airbrush and spraycan mural art techniques were taught to the youth by mural artists Francisco Carrasco and Catalina Gonzales.

Precita Eyes Mural Arts Center sponsors Mission Mural Walks every Saturday at 1:30 p.m. Call the non-profit center at 285-2287 for more information.



The new mural at 327 Precita depicts Joe Fradella's son, a fourth generation San Franciscan.

Photo by Vicki Victoria

Churches Merge

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unified Catholic parish, that we will continue to serve the people of the Hill with innovation, vision and loving joy."

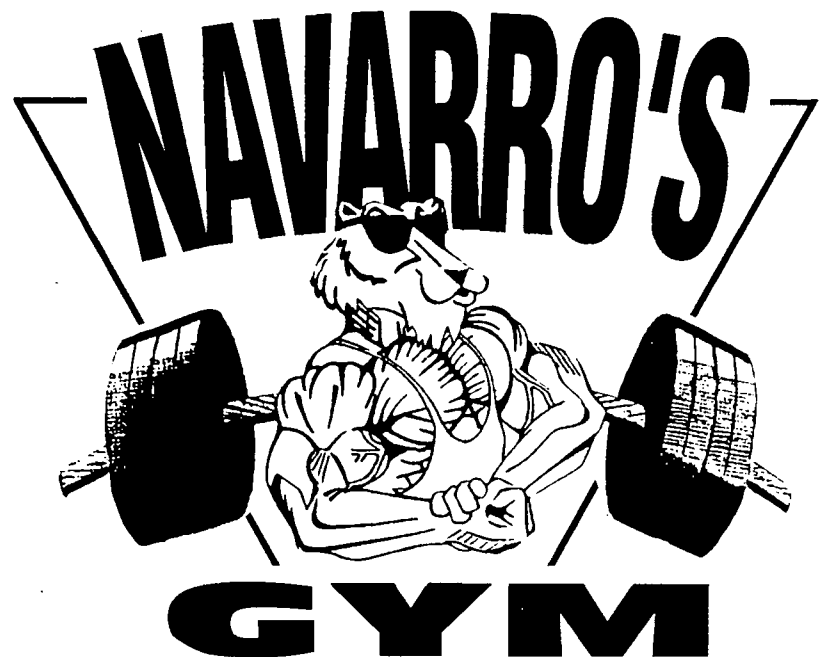
Fr. Guglielmo Lauriola, OFM, former pastor of Immaculate Conception, Archbishop John R. Quinn and Fr. Michael Weldon, OFM, pastor of St. Anthony of Padua Church celebrated mass outdoors in Precita Park, in order to accommodate the huge crowds who came to celebrate the churches' merger and St. Anthony School's 100th Anniversary.



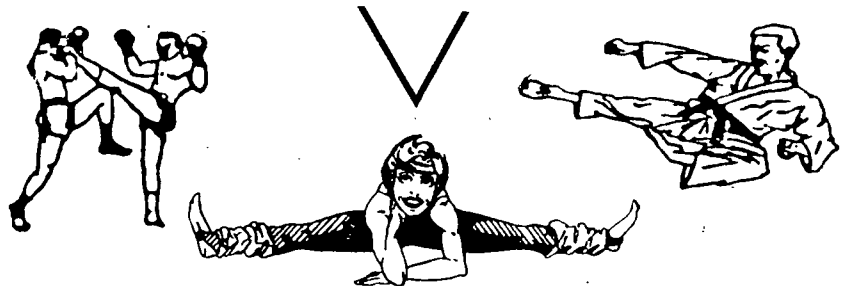
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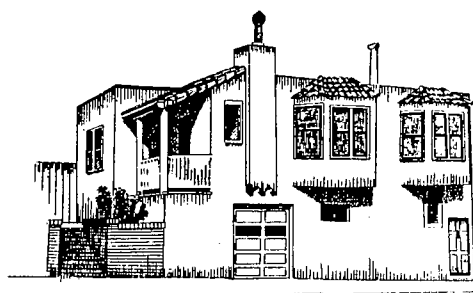


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There are many worthwhile groups asking for help during these difficult economic times. Please remember your neighborhood and the services the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center provides when making your contribution this fall.

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Attack

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area of the crime:

- More frequent police patrols, especially in poorly lit areas.

- Officers now have access to the key for the gate at the end of Bernal Heights Boulevard, in order to drive their patrol cars around the entire loop of the Hill.

- Officers on Honda motorcycles will patrol the area when they are able to.

Captain Dower's advice for what residents can do to help deter crime in the neighborhood include:

- Reporting crimes even if they seem minor or if you have no hope of the return of stolen properties. Statistics add up to more policing in your area. Call #553-0123, the non-emergency Ingleside station phone number, to file a report. For items stolen from your auto you may be able to file your report by mail, instead.

- Call the Department of Public Works' Street Lighting Division, Dee Lemmon, 554-0730, to report insufficient lighting on the Esmeralda stairway as well as other poorly lit stairways in the neighborhood. In order to increase lighting at the stairway, the department needs community representatives and input from residents who live in the area to develop a lighting plan.

- The Recreation and Park Department manages the Bernal Hill-top Park and has since trimmed shrubbery blocking the stairway. To report other overgrown areas

that block visibility, call Rec and Park, Mike Morlin, 666-7094.

Regarding the beat officers, one resident asked, "Why don't I ever see Community Police on any of the dark side streets? I feel most uncomfortable walking there at night." Captain Dower responded, "Community Police, or what were once known as the beat officers, walk from one point to another staying to the areas with the most activity, where there are merchants, pedestrians, etc. such as Mission Street or Cortland Avenue. They are not going to be as effective on the side streets where there is little activity."

Suzanne Gautier from Safety Awareness for Everyone (SAFE) demonstrated ways to reduce vulnerability and increase safety at the meeting:

- Awareness: Look around, look at people — If you appear alert and looking, prospective criminals will know you could identify them.

- Assertiveness: Don't look or walk like a victim. Walk with confident, strong strides.

- Plan for safety: Carry only the valuables you need and keep them concealed. Plan walking routes on well-lit, well traveled streets and face traffic.

- Trust your instinct: When situations don't feel right for whatever reason, take action such as running or yelling. If a dangerous situation does arise, think about your safety and not your wallet. Seek escape routes from unwelcome confrontations — this can be anything from acting "crazy" or giving up your money in such a way as to allow you to run while the thief is

reaching down to get it.

SAFE also recommends whistles and self-defense courses as other means for individuals to protect themselves. They strongly urge those who chose mace or pepper spray as a defense to also take a course on how to be sure that it doesn't get used against themselves. Brochures that outline other safety tips are now available at the Center.

A neighbor advised the group to beware of the bus stop at Crescent and Murray, where there have been several muggings. SAFE offered tips including trying to ride with a neighbor or getting off a stop earlier or later to avoid the trouble spot.

To further address safety issues, the Precita Valley Committee is currently working with the Neighborhood Watch Program in their area. For information about Neighborhood Watch or to schedule a group presentation by SAFE, call 553-1984.

Because the attacker was described as a 16 year old teenager, neighbors have come forward to emphasize the positive actions and activities of the majority of the youth in our neighborhood. On Tuesday, October 18th there will be a Children, Youth and Families Coalition meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Neighborhood Center, where the committees for the coalition's various youth programs will meet. Call Clo Escudero 206-2152 to find out about some of the other committees, such as the Jobs Committee, to help to create opportunities for youth employment in our area.

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- By Ellen Israel

Take a Walk...Down Cortland

By Kathleen Dunphy, Cortland Merchants Assoc.

Sidewalk Sale Bargains on October 22

October proves to be a very exciting month on Cortland Avenue. The Merchants Association is planning another Sidewalk Sale on Saturday, October 22, the same day as the Bernal Heights Fiesta on the Hill. Take a walk down Cortland and pick up on bargains and taste new delights from our restaurants and cafes.



Photo by Vicki Victoria

Dark Horse, on Cortland at Bocana, is the newest of the avenue's used item stores that features eclectic tastes.

Halloween Late Night Fun

The Merchants Association is will sponsor a "Late Night on Cortland," on Monday, October 31, Halloween night. Come join us as we will be happy to see all the young ghosts and goblins.

Merchants Welcome New Beat Officer

The Merchants are pleased to welcome Officer Jerry Neitz, the new police officer on the beat. Jerry has been seen on bike and on foot covering his Bernal beat. He has also taken the time to meet most of the merchants on Cortland and has come to our monthly meeting along with Sergeant Leach to discuss safety.

Autumn Values at Our Second Hand Shops

This fall is a great time of year to take in the many values found at one of Cortland's used furniture stores. The newest is The Dark Horse, owned by Karin Roper and Todd Manely. They have some of the most eclectic groups of objects under one roof. Over at Rag and Bone, Goodwin continues to offer new treasures weekly. Los Road Runners has been a long time merchant on Cortland and Julia and Barbara will help you find almost anything you need. Twist is still around on the weekends, Paul's Gallery/Shop is visual art.

Holiday Season Cheer

In December, the merchants will be decorating their shops with Holiday Gala. Come and visit your local shops for all of your shopping and support Cortland.

The Bernal Heights Democratic Club welcomes neighbors to discuss with us the local and state initiatives on the November ballot



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Ellen stands next to the doll house that she made for the Bernal Library, one of her many community contributions.

People on the Hill

Ellen Egbert's tireless work to improve neighborhood life

By Dorothy Coakley, Bernal Children's Librarian

Ellen Egbert is a dedicated supporter of the Bernal Library, always being in the forefront of our fights to keep our branch open and its open hours intact. She has successfully served as a representative to the Council of Neighborhood Libraries and worked for the passage of Proposition E, the Save the Libraries campaign during this past election. She

currently attends most of the Library Commission meetings "to help our new commissioners remember the importance of the neighborhood library as a resource."

Ellen bought her house in Bernal Heights nineteen years ago. She says it "spoke" to her: "I need you" was what the house said. The elderly house on the hillside required complete renovation, so she did it all herself. She stripped the woodwork, took off the wallpaper, and completed all of the project except the electrical work and the plumbing which she hired out. She used "how to books" from the library to do many of the projects, including re-covering a couch. "I would just run into the library and photocopy the pages that I needed. That's what's so wonderful about a neighborhood library. It's there when

you need it."

Her appreciation of the Bernal Library led her to start planning for a free tutoring group at the Bernal Library in conjunction with the "Neighborhoods in Transition" program this fall.

She's a natural teacher. Once, while working in the Job Corps, she received a backhanded complement that she says is the essence of her teaching philosophy. One student said to another, "Take Miss Egbert for General Education. She doesn't teach you anything but you sure do learn a lot."

Ellen Egbert can start you thinking. With an undergraduate degree in English and an MBA from Pepperdine, she's active as a math and English tutor for students up to the ninth grade.

Recalling her days of teaching ninth-

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San Francisco has suffered staggering job losses. The Downtown area — where more than half of the City's jobs are located — has lost 27,000 jobs between 1985 and 1993, according to the San Francisco Planning Department. Moreover, more than 30,000 jobs were lost citywide between 1990 and 1993.

While this job loss occurred for several reasons, the exodus of business from San Francisco is a major factor. Job flight hurts the City in many ways. It siphons off money from the local economy, costs the City tax revenue which funds public health and safety programs and robs local nonprofits of badly needed donations.

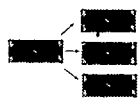
Q: What Do We Lose When Jobs Leave San Francisco?

A: Everything.



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San Francisco's 23 largest companies and their employees donated more than \$30 million to area charities involved with education, AIDS, homelessness and other important issues. When companies and jobs leave the City, these charitable contributions go, too.



Economic Vitality

Every job lost in San Francisco creates a ripple in the city economy — just like a pebble thrown into a pond. Economists say the domino effect caused by the loss of 27,000 downtown jobs during the last seven years will cost thousands of additional neighborhood jobs in the years to come.



Taxes

In total, San Francisco raises about \$700 million annually in local taxes. More than 50 percent of this revenue comes from business in the form of property taxes, payroll/gross receipts taxes, sales taxes, utility user's taxes, registration taxes and other fees.

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Around the Neighborhood *With Gloria Allen*

Bonview Street's Mary

Mary Litzius Foy was born during the 1917 Influenza epidemic. The family's midwife, Mrs. Treps, came everyday for six weeks to take care of mother and the new daughter, as well as the rest of the house. During that year, many mothers were too sick to even name their baby girls, so there were many "Marys" born in 1917.

Mary's birth took place in the house on Bonview Street which her mother bought brand new in 1911. Many families moved to the rocky Bernal Hill after the 1906 earthquake. Mary bought the house next door in 1944. She and several of her children, grandchildren and brother continue to live in both houses.

August Litzius, Mary's grandfather, was a professor of English who taught the many German residents of Bernal Heights to speak English. He and his brothers Joe and Charles were the first three voters in the precinct. August's wife, Emma Riley, was a cousin of the writer/poet James Whitcomb Riley. Upon learning this history, I began to see why there was no question of where Mary got her love of history and community service from.

Mary attended School. She married sweetheart whom derage of eight when with Mary's broth-years of marriage later, he left her for says that they "Ate tree for a while" to

Soon finding her-children and having passed away, Mary Grocery which was Wool and Eugenia Lenny Shields that do than pick up the pets. The next day, sign which read IDENTITY. IF TURN TO MARY

Needless to say, up and became an member, delivering daily hot lunches to homebound seniors in the late 70's. This is how she met Pearl, Danny and Ricardo from Nevada Street, who were portrayed in our last story. Mary would say to the elderly Pearl, "Hi, Pearl, how do you feel?" Pearl would usually answer "Plain Lousy" although her spirit was joyful.

Today Mary is the Senior Program Assistant at the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center which, she says, used to be the Bernal Recreation Center & Gym in the early 1900's. It was on this site that her brother, "Atta Boy" Litzius fought Jack Dempsey.

The eyes of this lovely, lively lady never failed to stop sparkling along with her bright smile as we talked about her life and stories of living on Bernal Hill.



Born on Bonview Street in 1917, Mary Foy has become one of Bernal's most well known and loved resident.

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self alone with her her mother having walked to Shields on the corner of at the time. She told she had no more to lint from the car-Lenny put up a big "LOST, ONE FOUND, RE-FOY."

Mary pulled herself active community

Ellen - Continued from page 8...

graders, Ellen recalls one particular incident that taught her about the nature of a kids at that age. "One day, the kids had raised a pair of underpants on the flagpole of the school. The janitor brought them to me in class. And they were clearly mine...my mother had dutifully sewn my name in them when she sent me away to college. I just popped them into my purse and kept on talking."

She remembers back to her days as a student herself. "I wasn't ever a bad kid, although I was suspended twice in school for silly things," says Ellen. One incident that brought on a suspension was when she was wearing bells on her crinolines. "You remember crinolines. They are those horse hair petticoats that you start with sugar so that they stand out. Anyway, the bells on my crinolines tinkled as I walked and were frowned upon in the school I attended."

Ellen has had a taste of a wide variety jobs through her colorful life. She once served as a probation officer for Alameda County at a home for girls. Ellen heard that the civil service test for probation officers was being given while working as a ticket agent for Greyhound: it seemed like a good job for a person who liked teenagers and had once taught ninth grade.

So she took the job as a probation officer on the swing shift: "It wasn't as easy as it seemed. If I had wine with dinner, I had to cover it up so the girls wouldn't be poorly influenced. That's when I discovered that a spoonful of peanut butter will hide the smell of alcohol. I carried it in my glove compartment. The only comment I ever got was "Miss Egbert, you sure like peanut butter."

After working as a probation officer, Ellen spent thirteen years working in Human Resources for the Del Monte Corporation and

earned her MBA through a satellite program given by Pepperdine University.

After earning her degree, she had to leave California to return to the East Coast to help her father care for her mother who had Alzheimer's Disease. She rented her home in Bernal to "Some people who never cleaned the toilet and who had dozens of cats."

Upon returning to Bernal Heights five years later, she began to completely restore her house a second time. About that time, she also realized that her neighborhood needed fixing up, too. Drinking and drug abuse had become prevalent in the Bernal Playground behind the library. Mauricio Vela was holding a house party to organize her neighbors to band together to stop the misuse of the park. Ellen attended the meeting and a neighborhood activist was born. She has help to paint out graffiti and has also been active in projects to improve our Parks and Recreation playground and gym in Bernal ever since.

Ellen's work to better her community comes from a personal belief that everyone needs to help out in order to make things better. "I think that its important that everybody pick a neighborhood project and devote some time to it. I'm not personally into affluence; I rent a room in my home to make ends meet, so I have more time than some people to contribute to the quality of neighborhood life. But everyone should do something."

And she has done more than her share. This year, she has made a doll house for the kids at the library, volunteered her services as a proof-reader for the New Bernal Journal, continued to paint out graffiti at the park and on the store-fronts on Cortland Avenue every couple of weeks...and worked on neighborhood campaigns. Then of course, there is the tutoring program that she's about to start at the library.

Ellen Egbert may have something to teach us all. She sure can start you thinking.

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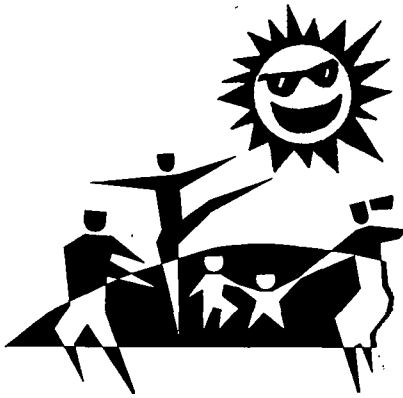
By Demece Garepis,
Fiesta Coordinator

On Saturday, October 22, The FIESTA will be a double whammy party this year! The neighborhood will especially honor the 16th anniversary of the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center which provides community services to our culturally diverse neighborhood. All the money raised from the Fiesta will go towards supporting these the Center's important non-profit neighborhood outreach services and activities such as youth employment, gang prevention, senior services, fights for services such as saving the Bernal library, and provides community assistance to many neighborhood and tenant groups.

And of course special double celebrations call for extra special entertainment. Since FIESTA showcases major national and lo-

cha cha to grunge rock! Be sure to look for flyers announcing the entertainment at your local businesses.

The Fiesta will be held from



10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. in the Bernal Playground which is off Cortland Avenue on Moultrie, behind the Bernal Library. The San Francisco Park and Recreation Department, the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center (BHNC) and Bernal Heights Housing Corp (BHHC) have joined together to sponsor this exciting community music and dance celebration!

This year, bring a big appetite and a taste for art. You won't be disappointed from our delicious ethnic food, desserts, non alcoholic drinks, and terrific arts and crafts made by our very own neighborhood artists.

Lots of Kids Activities

Kids enjoy our Halloween Moonwalk, paint free pumpkins, do face painting, pet animals, and get excited doing all the fun Halloween activities and games! Co-sponsored by the San Francisco Park and Recreation Department which houses this non-alcoholic event, we'll have a safe array of children's activities that your kids will be talking about until the next FIESTA. Halloween games will be keep your kids busy all day!

Youth Activities

Don't miss the special guest

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Live & Silent Auctions

A wide variety of items from gems to jewelry to collectibles will be up for bid at the Fiesta. Your winning bid can also get a great dinner or entertainment package for a fraction of the price while you help to support senior services in our community. Bid on one of many gorgeous gourmet and bath gift basket for the upcoming holiday season!

Pay a buck, dunk a community friend.

Yes, the age old FIESTA dunking booth is back with a vengeance this year. Once again, you'll get a chance to dunk a well known local community member.

Volunteer and get the incredible FIESTA T-shirt free! Supplies are limited, and this year's logo is the coolest yet.

Mark your calendars. Admission free. FIESTA ON THE HILL is Saturday, October 22nd, 1994 at the Bernal Playground, the Bernal Park and Rec Center, next to the



Bernal Library, from 10 - 6 pm. Cross streets are Cortland/ Moultrie. A non-alcoholic, drug free event.

GET INVOLVED! For more information, or if you'd like to volunteer, please call BHNC at 206-2140.

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The FIESTA PROGRAM last year was a proven success. This year, we are expecting a *dramatically* increased turn-out since we are showcasing a major national music group *Los Compas!* Over eighty percent of its advertisers are re-running their messages in this '94 issue. This year, the addition of the **BERNAL BUSINESS MAP** mirrors the strength and potential of our significant market. Attractive enough for framing or the refrigerator, it quickly becomes an indispensable reference guide. The **BERNAL BUSINESS MAP** is an absolutely essential tool. Put your business on the map - **THE BERNAL BUSINESS MAP!** Rates are as follows:

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Contact FIESTA coordinator Demece Garepis for more details 206-2140. Remember, space is limited, and your deadline for submission is Saturday, October 15th, 1994!

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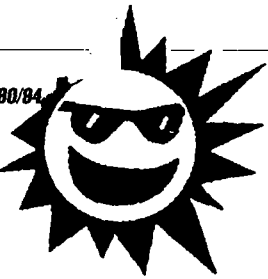
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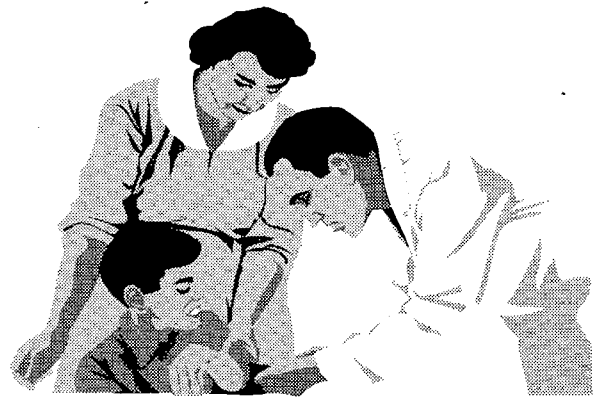
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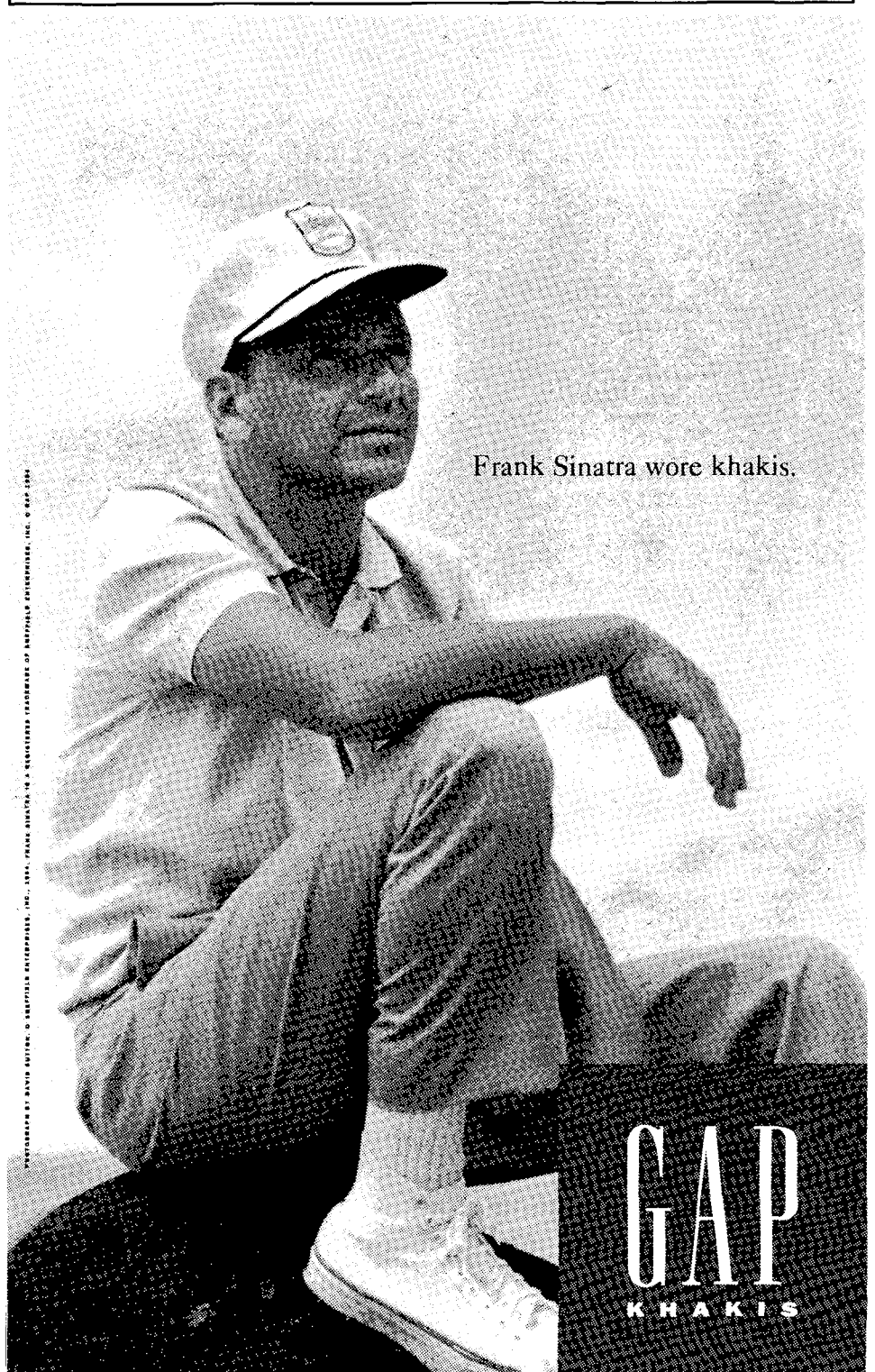
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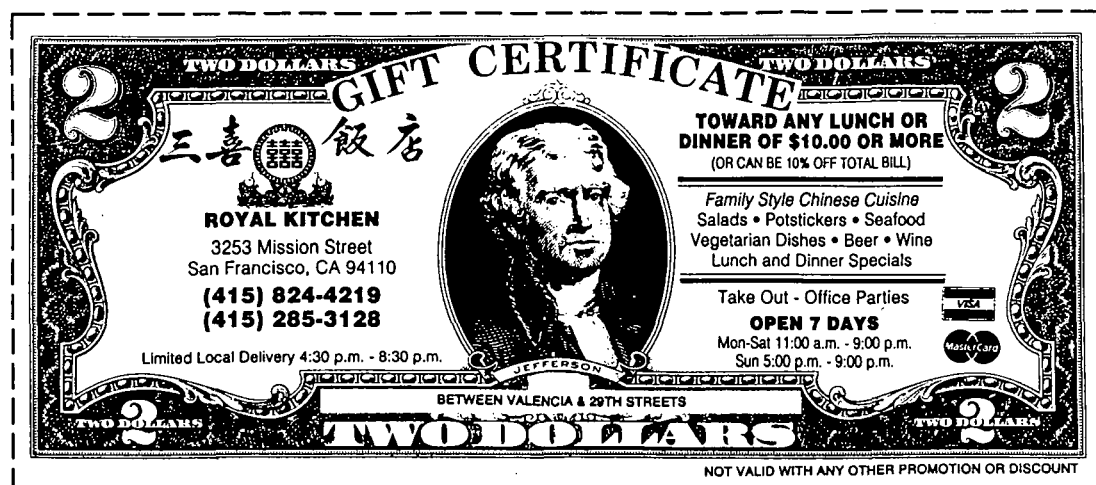
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Appreciating our youths



At the Youth Awards: BHNC Board member Odis Dodson, Rudy Corupez, Board member Julian Navarro and Youth Committee member Tommy Chin.

Youth enjoyed a dinner and dance on August 25 at the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center's Summer Youth Employment & Training Program's Youth Appreciation Awards.

The Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center Summer Youth Employment Program would like to thank the following individuals and businesses for their generous donations which helped to honor our youth for their summer achievements:

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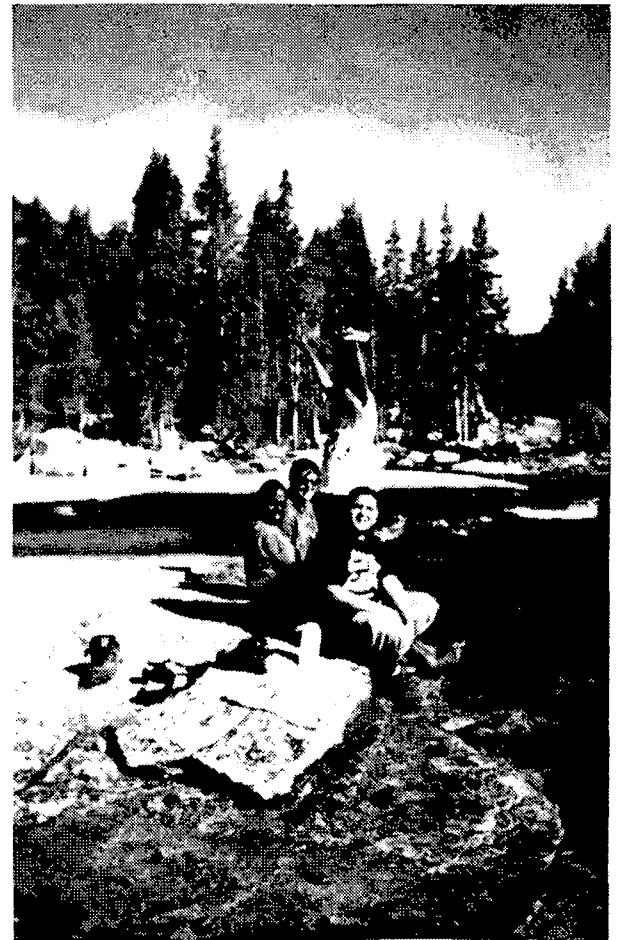
Boyz in the Woods

Many youths on the Hill have never had the opportunity to enjoy camping in the majesty of Yosemite. This past August, the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center and Police Activities League took several youths participating in Center's Gang Prevention Program to the mountains for a week long adventure.

Gang Prevention Program counselor Reynaldo Berrios says, that at first, hosting the youths, ages 13 - 17 years, in the mountains was no easy picnic. "Some of the kids would act up with me, with the cops...with everybody!"

But he was amazed how quickly the youths' tough exteriors would fade away as night fell. "By day, they were picking on and fighting with each other," remembers Berrios, "But as soon as it got dark, they would all stick together." He remembers one particular kid who bad mouthed him earlier that day, "It was really dark on one of our night hikes and I pretended my flashlight went dead. He grabbed my arm and wouldn't let go!"

As the kids let down their guard, they began to really enjoy the forests and mountains. To fight off the relentless 90 degree plus heat, the boys found a running stream which they swam, splashed and played in almost the whole day. Hiking seven miles a day under the clear blue skies and in the fresh Sierra air gave the boys and girls a positive experience to help guide them on the right paths in life.



Jose, Eric, a camp guide and Damion cool their hot feet in a river after taking a day hike.

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Japanese visitor learns from Bernal Elders

By Carmen Mendieta

This summer Bernal Heights was graced with a special visitor from Japan. Professor Tsuneji Masako made the long trip to the U.S. to visit programs which focus on community building as a means of supporting elders' independence and well-being.

He had heard about the continuum of care model in Bernal Heights, and was intent on learning first hand how this neighborhood approaches community based care of elders. A "continuum of care" model means that elders at any point on the continuum of life can access services right here in the community. For instance, a vital, active elder who is recovering from a hospitalization can rely on the Emergency Meal Program, and/or a volunteer to provide rides to the doctor. When fully recovered, that same elder may choose to help a frail or homebound elder with groceries or other chores. It's a new twist on the traditional ways of neighbors helping neighbors.

It seems that Japan is experiencing major societal changes which directly effect the long-term care of elders. A number of social factors including demographic shifts, rising housing costs, and smaller family units are making the care of elderly parents more and more difficult. It is projected that by the 21st century the enormous population of elders will require an extensive long-care system not yet in place. Our visionary visitor believes that innovative programs like ours may be the answer.

Tsuneji (as he asked to be called) was particularly incredulous that people of all ages and cultures would actually come together to care for elders. He saw and heard strong evidence of the diversity we enjoy upon entering the before-lunch world of the Bernal Heights Senior Program. Spanish, Tagalog and English bubbled in the air; a small group sang songs to the soft strings of a guitar in one corner; and pokeno was in full swing by the garden. He laughed with appreciation at the din he was experiencing, for it satisfied his curiosity about our multicultural, intergenerational community life.

As the three hour visit was nearing a close, Professor Masako, with the benefit of a translator, said "your values are very much like ours in Japan. We also believe in an informal approach which builds trust in its own time. Like you, we prefer face to face neighborly visits to business-like government aid."

We were given a priceless gift in the visit of the esteemed educator, for he reminded us of the universal quality of care and genuine concern for elders. He also gave us a chance to take a fresh look at our own culture. Who knows how this brush of serendipity will color what's to come for our new neighbors in Japan?

Flu shots recommended for older adults

Each winter, millions of people suffer from the unpleasant effects of influenza or the "flu." For most, a few days in bed, rest, and plenty to drink will be the best treatment. For older people, however, the flu can be life threatening.

By lowering a person's resistance, a flu may allow more serious infections to occur, especially pneumonia. Those with chronic diseases including heart or kidney disease, asthma, and diabetes are at the greatest risk of developing secondary infections. The most serious of these is pneumonia, one of the five leading causes of death among people over 65.

Many doctors therefore recommend that their older patients get a flu shot in the early fall before flu season. Since flu viruses change constantly and unpredictably, this year's virus is usually different from last year's. Therefore, in order to be effective, a flu shot should be obtained every year.

Bernal Heights Senior Services will assist elders who wish to obtain the flu shot by coordinating van rides from the Neighborhood Center at 515 Cortland Avenue to and from Department of Public Health Center #3 on Tuesday, November 8 at 10:00 a.m. To sign up for this outing for flu shots, call Bernal Heights Senior Services at 206-2142.

Seniors!



BHNC Board Member and senior, Bebe Castaing and Senior Program members Miriam Murphy and Julia Riddell pitch in sorting second hand clothing at the Neighborhood Center.

Hillwide Garage Sale a huge success!

On August 13, thirty-five neighbors brought out their dusty knick-knacks, outgrown toys, old clothes, dog-eared novels and surplus tools for the Bernal Heights Hillwide Garage Sale.

All over the Hill, bargain shoppers came armed with their carts and bags ready to go. "This is such a good idea! It's fun and its great to go around the neighborhood," remarked shopper Suzanna Schuchholz, "It's like treat or treating!"

David at Cooperativa Teodosia was one of the merchants participating in the sale. "There's been a lot of people on Cortland today, more than your average Saturday. It's nice to see people from other neighborhoods visit us, too."

Twenty-two generous neighbors brought dozens of boxes of donations to the Neighborhood Center to help the seniors raise money. Guitars, coffeemakers, dishes, records, running shoes, toys and lamps filled the center.

Several caring neighbors dedicated a percentage of their proceeds to Senior Services. A total of \$1,850 was raised from the event and will directly benefit Bernal Heights Senior Services.

Free holiday portraits for seniors

Seniors, would you like to give a portrait of yourself to your friends or family this holiday season? Sign up for the Senior Portrait Day at the Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center on Monday, November 14, from 1:00 to 5:00.

We will have a photographer at the Center to take your color portrait. A hair stylist and makeup consultant will also be available before scheduled portrait sessions for those seniors who may be interested. Refreshments will be provided throughout the event.

This free gift to Bernal seniors is being planned by students from the University of San Francisco. They are organizing community members who will be donating their services for this special event.

Join us for a fun day! Bernal seniors, both male and female are welcome to participate. Space is limited and an appointment must be made by calling Bernal Heights Senior Services, Vicki Victoria, 206-2145, to participate in this senior event.

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Bernal Artists' Open Studios

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James Gleeson, a Bernal artist and teacher, paints the people of San Francisco, its hidden gardens and beautiful Victorians. Many of the paintings in his new garden series are painted from his well tended garden which surrounds his home and studio at 148 Precita Avenue.



Detail from "English Triptych," acrylic on canvas. Textiles Tapestries and Paintings by Pauline Crowther Scott, 401 Prentiss Street.

public on the weekend of October 15 and 16, from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Who are these artists and why do they create their art? Members of the Bernal Women's Artists Group (BWAG) participating in this year's Open Studios look forward to sharing their feelings and philosophies with their neighbors. These artists will show their work collectively at 255 Banks Street.

"I do art because it is something I've always done—it's a part of me," says painter Tama Blough, "It's as natural to me as eating or sleeping, and if I'm deprived of it, I feel unfulfilled."

Melinda Lightfoot, who also paints, says, "I do art to say things I couldn't express in words. It's also a way of discovering what I think and feel."

Clay artist Beverly Carey-Koenig says, "Art is a way to connect with my roots. I reach for images that were important to the earliest human beings, ones found on cave walls, incised in rock, and found in archaeological digs." Koenig says that these archetypal images give her a sense of human continuity in the "shifting sands of today's society."

Several Bernal artists who live on the hill create their works in the Hunter's Point Studios, which will be open on October 29 and 30. Jess McVey is one of these artist who works in clay. After a divorce and retirement, McVey said that something drove her to do art. "Now it's my life," says McVey,

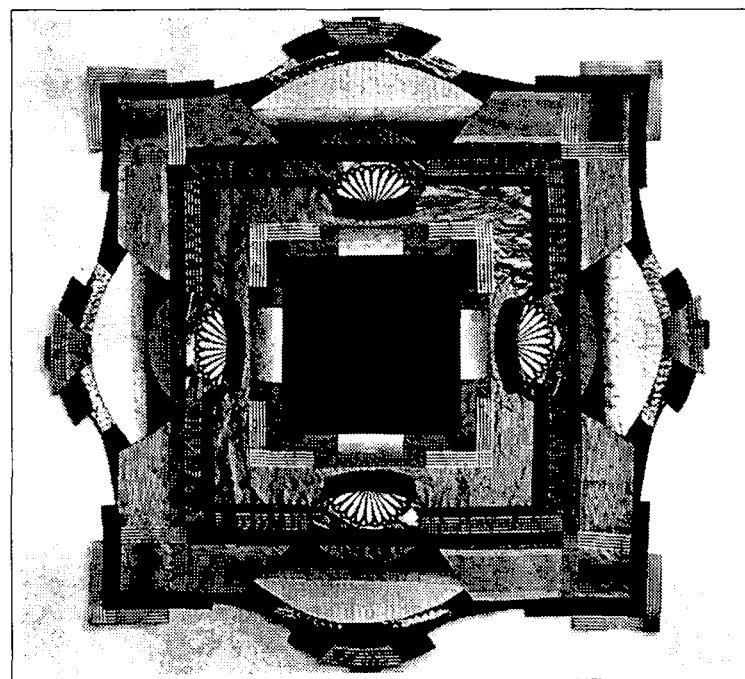
"Through it I am able to reach unknown areas of myself; the world appears to me now as though through different eyes. My political views have a form of expression as well."

After surviving a childhood that he describes as a "nightmare," painter Michael Brady says that he sought refuge and reality in the beauty of nature. "That is where I learned to see and to feel the passion of existence."

Brady feels that people are trained to see with their assumptions and intellect and not with their eyes and heart. "So people never actually see what's in front of them," says Brady, "They only see what's inside their head." At his studio at 101 Prentiss, he hopes to present "certain facts of our existence" in a way that he hopes can not be mistaken for one's unconsciously inculcated assumptions of reality.

City-wide studio locations and a schedule of all of this year's events can be obtained at Open Studio's Directory Exhibition at the SOMAR Gallery at 934 Brannan. This central exhibition highlights one piece from each of the participating artists, in order to help studio visitors whittle down their choices.

Treat yourself to a new viewpoint, indulge in a stimulating conversation or purchase a one-of-a-kind original art work during this celebration of the arts. For more information about Open Studios, call Artsplan at 861-9838.



Judith Luraschi Starbuck's "hand sewn paintings" can be seen at 302 Virginia Avenue. Meticulously sewn from silks, she starts from the center and working out to the edge, saying that every piece evolves from itself.



BB Smith stands in front of her acrylic on canvas entitled "S.F., Here I Come." In addition to welcoming neighbors to her studio at 368 Prentiss on Oct. 15 and 16, BB will also show at the Serta Building the following weekend on October 22 and 23 at 1777 Yosemite Street.

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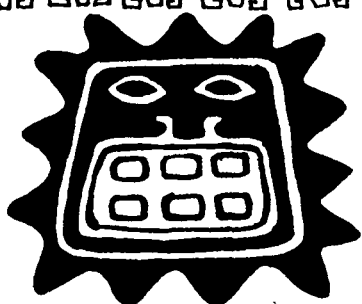
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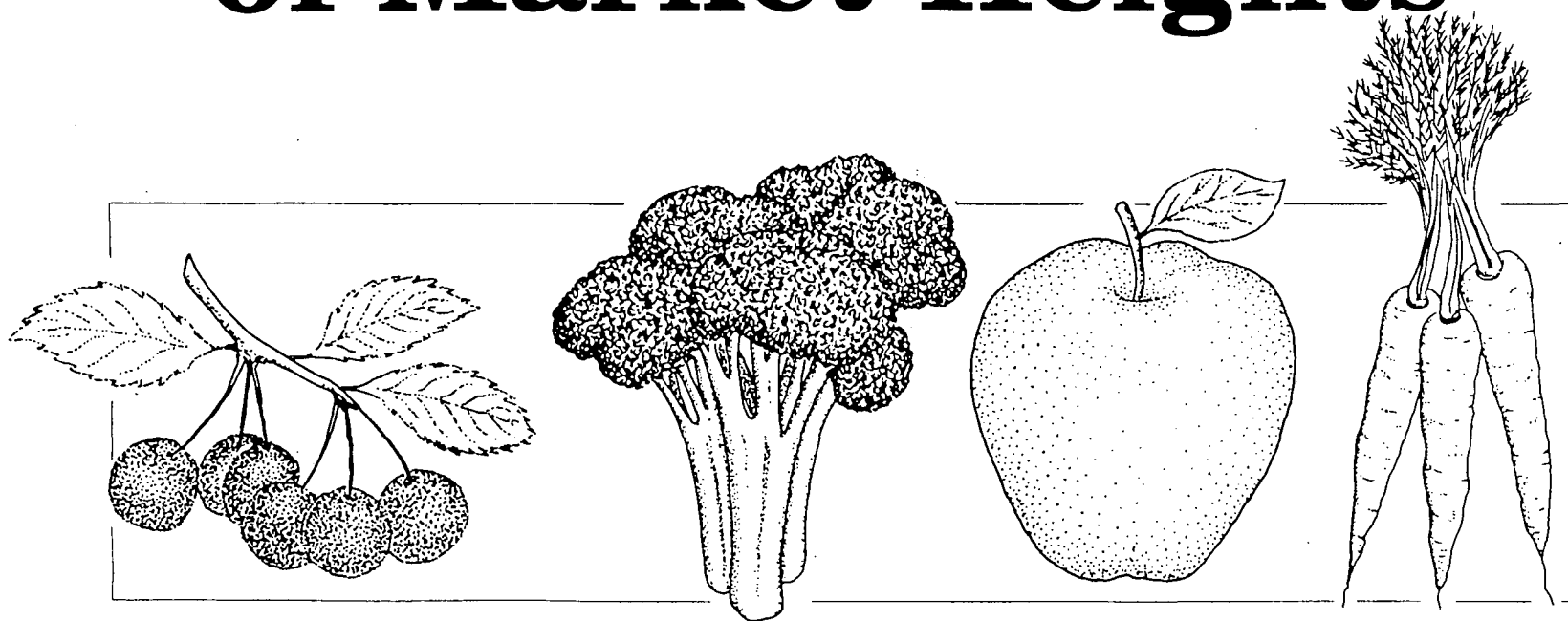
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For years, neighbors have enjoyed this selling stalls full of farm fresh produce and goods on Saturdays at Farmers' Market. Construction of Market Heights will in no way interrupt the Saturday market days. No construction will take place on Saturdays and all construction equipment will be located away from the market's parking spaces on the weekend.

Come and shop at Farmers' Market this and every Saturday!



This notice was paid for by the Bernal Heights Housing Corporation, a non-profit community based agency working with the community of Bernal Heights to build and rehabilitate affordable housing.

For more information about the Bernal Heights Housing Corporation or the Market Heights project, please call Stephen Dunn at (415) 206-2140.

Bernal Hilltop Natural History

Coyote Brush

By Barbara Pitschel

Because spring comes so early to our coastal grasslands, beginning in February or even earlier, our plants also experience an early dormant season during the hot, dry months of late summer and autumn. The few plants that we do see in bloom during these months are often members of the sunflower or daisy family (Compositae or Asteraceae). Bernal Hilltop is a grassland with no native trees and very few native shrubs. One of these shrubs is a composite that blooms during this late dormant season.

Baccharis pilularis, which blooms between August and December, is sometimes known by the common names "coyote brush" and "chaparral broom." In early days, it was also referred to as "groundsel tree" and "fuzzy wuzzy."

Baccharis is quite variable, with plants ranging in height from one to four or more feet. The species, which is prostrate, and the erect variety *consanguinea* readily hybridize, so that in many populations the two forms are mixed in completely integrated stands.

The small, shiny, green, holly-shaped leaves are resinous and aromatic in warm weather. Male and female flowers are borne on different plants. Male plants bear inconspicuous heads of creamy disk flowers. Female plants have numerous, small, compact flower heads of white (no yellow) disk flowers without rays, which turn to fuzzy cotton balls as the flowers age. Masses of wind-sown, white-tufted fruits carry their dandelion-like seeds on the wind.

Baccharis is a common shrub, which sometimes functions as an invasive native weed on cleared land or overgrazed fields, but it is not at all invasive on Bernal. Bernal plants are sparsely scattered on most areas of the hilltop.

The plant was first recorded when it was collected by Chamisso in 1816, but records don't indicate whether he collected the species or the variety. *Baccharis pilularis* is endemic to California, but other species of *Baccharis* range from here to South America.

Coyote brush offers the assets of drought-tolerance, low flammability, and erosion control.

Take a close look at this shrub, as well as Bernal's other autumn flora and fauna, at restoration work parties at 11:00 a.m. on the third Sunday of each month. Call me at 282-5066 for details.



Baccharis pilularis

Geographical History of the Hill

By Ed Roper

Ellert Street. Levi Richard Ellert was the City's first native-born mayor, born in 1857. He established the druggist firm, L.R. Ellert & Co. at the corner of Kearny and California Streets. He became mayor in 1892 after serving one term on the Board of Supervisors. After one term, he was succeeded by Adolph Sutro.

Stoneman Street. George S. Stoneman was a West Point grad who became a general in the Civil War. In Texas during February, 1861, Stoneman refused a superior officer's order to surrender to the Texas authorities and instead evacuated with part of his command, sailing north to continue fighting. He became governor of California in 1883.

Ogden Street. Peter Skene Ogden was a Canadian fur trader who trapped and explored throughout the west in the early 1800's. At Fort Vancouver, which is now Vancouver, Washington, he was the Chief Factor for H.B. Co. His participation in backing the losing side in a Mexican power struggle, together with his shame over being discovered by his wife in his affair with a senorita, led to him to becoming the town's first suicide. His remains were recognized through the glass window in his coffin when it was uncovered years later when a water line was being laid in Portsmouth Square.

Bocana Street. What we now call Drake's Bay was originally named "La Bahia de San Francisco" by a Manila galleon captain whose ship was blown

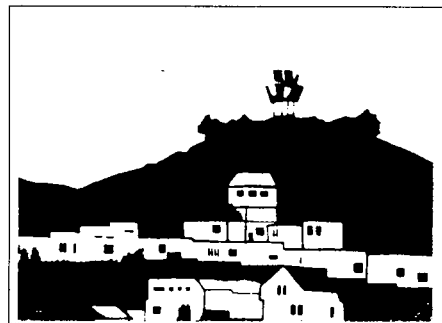
aground and wrecked in 1595. This was the same beach that Drake landed on 16 years before. The name "La Bahia de San Francisco" was used in a navigation handbook in 1734. Two different land expeditions failed to reach La Bahia de San Francisco in Marin County because they first came to what is today San Pablo Bay, which they named "Bocana de la Bahia de San Francisco" in error. "Bocana" is the Spanish word for "mouth." For about 40 years, this error continued to be made, until 1776 when the "San Carlos" sailed into the bay. In 1909, our Bernal street was named "Bocana," at the recommendation of a street name commissioner who believed in using as many historical Spanish names as possible.

Cortland Avenue. I haven't been able to find out about this one other than on maps prior to 1909, when it was spelled "Courtland." If you hang your head while strolling the hill, you might come across a sewer vent cover with the address "400 Courtland" on it. There is one such cover on the south side of the 300 block of Cortland.

Park Street is so named because it skirts Holly Park. No big deal, but I bring it up because Junipero Serra School is on Park Street and Serra was born on the island of Mallorca, as were 13 other missionaries who came to California. This group included Fr. Francisco Palou who, along with Fr. Pedro Cambon, built Mission Dolores and also have city streets named after them, too. I also met my wife on Mallorca 38 years before today.

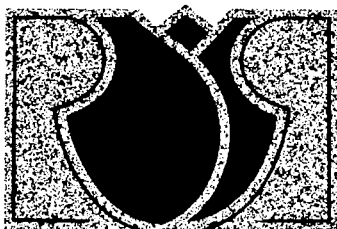
Prior to the building of the **Army Street** interchange, there was a pair of streets which were wiped out when the extreme northeast corner of the Hill was dug away. These were "Adam" and "Eve" Streets. I have heard that there are some "Eve Street" steps, but I've yet to climb them.

If you are interested in learning more about the Hill's and the City's walks, I can enthusiastically recommend "Stairways and Walks of San Francisco" by Adah Balinsky. This book has two chapters on Bernal Heights's west and east slopes, where many of the stairway steps have been made by residents using brick, cobblestone and railroad ties. The book is very well researched and I believe our local library has a copy.



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Gardening on the Hill

Flower in Tree Basins

By Mel Johnson, Friends of the Urban Forest

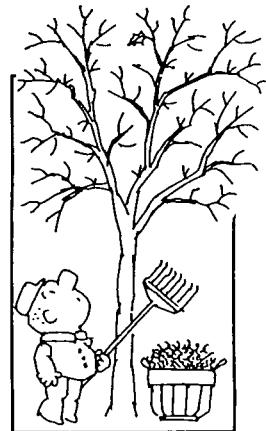
Now that fall is upon us, it's a good time for an end-of-the summer clean-up, and it's especially a good time to assess what else is planted in your tree sidewalk basin besides your tree.

Many people over the years have planted various herbs and flowers under their trees to make them look more attractive or add more green to the cityscape. Unfortunately, many of the favorite plant choices are deep-rooted species such as ivy, rosemary, mirror plant and sages. These plants directly compete with trees for water and nutrients.

This is a good time to pull up any of these invasive plants that might be in your tree well, and replace them instead with shallow-rooted annuals such as lobelia, primrose, marigold or calendula, all of which will add color without hurting your trees.

On another note: don't forget to water your trees as we move into winter. If the rains don't come, the trees will still need to be watered deeply.

Enjoy the beautiful fall weather and fall colors!



Bernal Heights Neighborhood Center Oct. & Nov. Board & Committee Meetings

Fundraising Committee

Mondays, 10/17, 11/9, 6:00 p.m.

Children, Youth & Families Coalition

Tuesday, 10/18, 11/15, 7:00 p.m.

Youth Committee

Thursday, 10/13, 11/10, 5:30 p.m.

Outreach Committee

Tuesday, 11/1, 7:00 p.m.

Senior Committee

Monday, 11/7, 12/5, 4:00p.m.

BHNC Board Meeting

Monday, Nov. 21, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

All meetings held at the Bernal Heights
Neighborhood Center, 515 Cortland Ave.
Call 206-2140 for more information.



Crosstown Tunnel -

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Citizens working on the issue, however, still need to remain vigilant. Although we have created positive steps towards progress and have somewhat advanced the City's perspective on what could and should be done, continued public pressure is still needed to convert present short term gains into significant long term changes in policies. We need to formalize these good intentions in order to legally and substantively impact the situation

Migden are in the process of co-sponsoring a resolution. Supervisors Migden, Kevin Shelley and Anne-Mare Conroy all expressed strong opposition to the Crosstown Tunnel. Supervisor Susan Leal has told the DPW that she wants to see the deficiencies in the EIR corrected. These supervisors should be called and thanked for their support. All others should be called and encouraged to support the resolutions.

4. Residents of Bayview Hunter's Point have been saddled with noxious odors from the Southeast Treatment Plant, the City's

current sewage treatment center. Urge the Board to ask DPW for a full study of the problems at the Bayview Plant and recommend real solutions. The Committee is recommending that everyone vote for Proposition D, which will sell bonds to raise money to repair dilapidated sewer pipes in the city and fix some of the problems at the Bayview Plant.

The "Committee Against..." becomes the "Committee For..."

To reflect this new shift in focus, the Committee Against the Crosstown Tunnel will primarily be identified through its other

group of interests, "The Committee for Real Waster Solutions." In pushing for more environmentally sound alternatives, this group has formed a loose network of envi-

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1. The Committee for Real Wastewater Solutions is trying to get the Board of Supervisors to pass a resolution to urge the Regional Water Board to grant an exemption to allow more time for a thorough study of additional alternatives. Call the Regional Water Board, (510) 286-1255, and urge them to put this item, File No. 2316.6010(JYL) with reference to CDO 91-153, on their next agenda and approve it.

2. Join our Committee to work towards ensuring that the alternative study happens correctly, that alternative experts get meaningful contracts, that these alternatives are legally integrated into the EIR and that the impacts and the new alternatives get a full hearing.

3. Call the Board of Supervisors, 554-5184, and tell them that you want to see the items mentioned above to happen. Supervisors Sue Bierman and Carole

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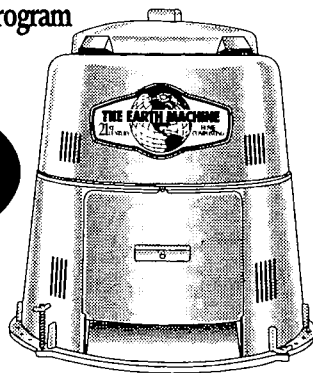
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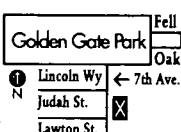
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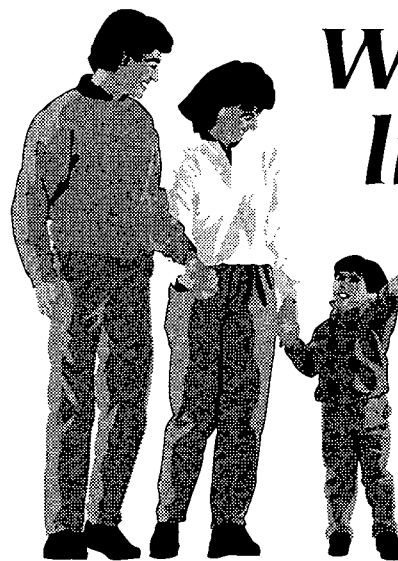
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New COPPS. Officers Ed Collins and Oscar Carcelen (pictured) have been assigned to Bernal as part of the new Community Oriented Policing Program (COPPS), replacing the Community Police Officer Program. "Not enough arrests were being made with CPOP," says Officer Collins, who will patrol the west side of Mission Street in Bernal. His partner, Officer Carcelen, will walk the beat east of Mission, including Cortland and Precita Avenues. "We want to do more solid police work and make more arrests for the safety of the community."

Officer Jerry Neitz, who replaced the promoted Howard Weathersby, will also walk the beat in Bernal. Officers encourage neighbors to contact them regarding ongoing neighborhood problems by calling, 553-1603.

Demystifying auto repairs by doing it yourself

When your car sputters, moans or just plain refuses to start, images of huge repair bills often dance around in your mind. But if you knew how to fix that water pump or had the right tools to replace your wheel cylinders, you'd probably save a bundle.

This is where Jerry Lewis comes in. No, not the comedian asking for money on your tube every Labor Day, but the guy who runs San Francisco Auto Repair. By combining auto repair classes and the opportunity for students to work on their own cars, Lewis helps to demystify auto repair for the average guy or gal.

"I think we're the only place in the Bay Area, and perhaps Northern California, where a customer can actually work on their own car," says Lewis of his unique service.

Carlos Garcia, a Bernal resident and mechanic at the shop, enjoys this more "relaxed" atmosphere. "It's fun to get to know people and help them out this way," says Garcia, "And if they run into a problem working on their own cars, we're right there to help solve the problem."

"Our mechanics don't mind if customers watch or even help out," says Lewis. He feels that this unrestricted interaction helps customers to understand their own vehicles. "We put a lot of effort into clearly explaining repairs and take time to show people how things work," says Lewis, "We want the customer to feel comfortable and not intimidated."

In 1970, Lewis dropped out of



Janet Roshek, S.F. Auto's Assistant Service Manager and owner Jerry Lewis help folks to demystify auto repairs by teaching them how to do it themselves.

law school and realized that he had to make a living doing something. Although he had tinkered in mechanics as a hobby only, he eventually found a job on the East Coast teaching auto mechanics. He later headed out to San Francisco and rented a dilapidated garage and backyard to do auto repairs.

He soon found that his customers were eager to learn more on their own. "I'm a competent mechanic," says Lewis, "But I'm one of very few who can actually explain mechanics to customers in laymen's terms." Soon he began teaching auto repair classes at his garage to help "demystify" auto repairs for his customers.

By 1978, his business grew too big for a backyard operation and he then found a space at 611 Florida where the shop continues to be active seven days a week. Lewis's repair classes combine lectures and hands-on work that helps the non-mechanic learn how to do a variety of repairs from brake jobs to electrical system problems. The confidence that his students develop from these classes is reflected in the number who tackle repairs themselves. Over 50 percent of his students go on to work on their

own cars at the shop. "The other 50 percent just simply want to understand their cars," says Lewis.

The shop's staff also share in Lewis' philosophy of demystifying auto repair. Janet Roshek, S.F. Auto's Assistant Service Manager remembers why she decided to become a mechanic. "I was sick of getting ripped off, so I went to school when I was 32 years old to learn," says Roshek. "I've been under a hood for 13 years now."

When she's not acting as second in command, Roshek says that she enjoys going to the Wild Side West Bar on Cortland Avenue. "A lot of our staff go to the Wild Side," says Roshek, "It's a great neighborhood bar—one of the last places a gay woman can go."

The Wild Side's owners, Nancy White and Pat Ramsyer, are also a couple of the many Bernal Heights customers at S.F. Auto. "I've had a Volkswagen Bug that's been with me for over 30 years," says White, "I can't just take it anywhere—it has to go to a place that's special. I've got a truck, too. They do good work and are very nice, even giving you a lift or a loaner car if you need it."

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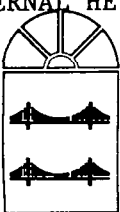
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Bernal Library News

By Valetín Porras

Thanks for Voting for Your Libraries!

Thanks to all of you who voted for and those who worked for Proposition E. You can now see the results of your support and hard work with all the new books that are coming in for children and adults. You can recognize those books purchased with Proposition E money by the yellow strips inside of them.

Our Video and Computer Resources are Growing

In addition to our PBS series videos, we are happy to announce our new collection of children's and Spanish language videos. Donations of videos are always welcome. And thanks to the Friends of the Bernal Library, we now have an IBM compatible computer and printer for public use. Friends of the Bernal Library meets on the first

Wednesday of the odd numbered months at 7:00 p.m.

Bike to the Library

Now getting to your Bernal Branch Library on bicycle is even easier with our new bike rack. The bike rack is located on the Andover side of the library, near the entrance of the Bernal Playground.

Free Dance Performance for Children of all Ages

Don't miss a colorful, festive performance by Grupo Folklorico de San Francisco as they bring us the traditional folk dances of Mexico on Saturday, October 22 at 2:00 p.m.

Family Film Night

Join us on Wednesday, October 19 at 7:15 p.m. for a free showing of "Tender Tale of Cinderella Penguin," "Butterfly Ball," and more! Book Discussion Group Othello by Shakespeare will be

discussed by the group on Thursday, October 27 at 4:00 p.m.

Children & Youth Activities

• Storytime for children ages 2 and older takes place on Saturdays in October at 2:00 p.m. Call us for specific dates.

• Preschool films for children ages 3-5 are shown at 10:30 & 11:15 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 18: "Georgie," "Where the Wild Things Are," and "Strega Nonna."

• Our Chess Club continues to meet every Friday at 4:00 p.m. Beginners to advanced players are all welcome. We can still use a donation of a few good chess sets!

For questions and more information, please call us at the Bernal Library, 695-5160 or come on by and see what's new at 500 Cortland Avenue.

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Bernal Calendar

Local & State Initiatives Discussion

Wednesday, October 12, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. The Bernal Heights Democratic Club invites neighbors to an open discussion about the upcoming propositions in this November's election. Bring your voter handbooks. Refreshments served and voter registration cards will be available. Neighborhood Center, 515 Cortland Avenue.

3rd Annual Bocana Street Garage & Craft Sale

Saturday, October 15, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. If you want to go to a great garage sale, don't miss this one! Three blocks long and three years old, neighbors participating in this huge annual sale donate some of their proceeds to benefit community services in Bernal Heights, such as the Bernal Library. Bocana Street off Cortland Avenue. For more information, call 821-1765.

Open Studios on Bernal Heights

Saturday & Sunday, October 15 & 16, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Bernal artists welcome you into their studios and homes for an intimate look at their works and working environment. Part of an annual exhibition involving over 700 artists city-wide. Admission free, various locations. For maps and events information, call Artspan, 861-9838.

Cortland Sidewalk Sale

Saturday, October 22. Cortland Merchants invite you find some great bargains at their sidewalk sale. Stroll the avenue and discover the wonderful neighborhood restaurants, cafes, bars, shops and services. Sponsored by the Cortland Merchants Association. For more information call 648-1380.

Fiesta on the Hill

Saturday, October 22, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. The Latin sounds of Los Compas highlight Bernal's annual outdoor festival. Food and crafts booths, children and youth activities, silent & live auctions, games, dunking booth and more. Admission free. At the Bernal Playground, Moultrie Street off Cortland Avenue. 206-2140.

Champagne Bingo & Boutique

Sunday, November 6, 2:00 p.m. Enjoy a special Sunday afternoon Champagne Bingo and Christmas Boutique, sponsored by the St. Kevin's Women's Guild. Win \$30.00 each game! Tickets are \$10 each and good for 7 cards, 14 games and includes champagne, delicious sandwiches, cakes, popcorn and beverages. Doors open at noon. St. Kevin's Old Hall, Ellsworth Street off Cortland Avenue. Call 648-5751.

Reno Group Trip

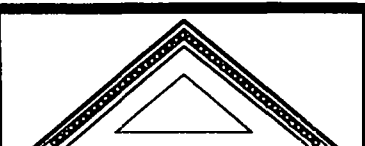
Friday & Saturday, November 11. The Bernal Seniors invite you to enjoy an over night Reno Trip. Only \$38.00 includes double occupancy accomodation at the Sundowner, roundtrip delux bus, refreshments and four casino visits paying out a total \$26+ casino cash refund. Call Mary at the Bernal Seniors, 206-2142.

Christmas in April returns to Bernal

Low income homeowners in Bernal Heights can receive home repairs and renovations free through the Christmas in April Program. Applications for the work day on April 29, 1995 are now being accepted.

Only a few neighborhoods in the city are selected by Christmas in April, which has provided free work for 156 low-income, elderly and disabled homeowners. By utilizing community skilled and unskilled volunteers and corporate sponsorship for materials and equipment, work is completed in one day. Many seniors in Bernal Heights have received free installation of grab bars and handrails, minor electrical and plumbing upgrades, repairs to unsafe stairs, clearing out of trash and painting from this unique non-profit service.

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Astro Rap

By Jessica Murray

The astrological highlight of Autumn, 1994 is the group of planetary stations in October. Twists and turns on all levels—from the financial to the psychological—are apt to be especially dramatic the first week of the month.

Starting with Uranus (sudden change) on October 1st, no less than five planets shift direction in 4 weeks. Illusion is in the air October 2nd with Neptune, and key relationship issues click into a 1 1/2 month long review period starting October 12th, with Venus. Mercury goes retrograde October 9th through October 29th, during which time messages and communications (verbal, written or electronic) are likely to get fouled up unless checked and double checked.

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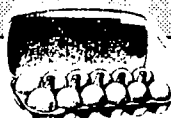
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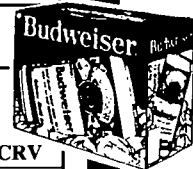
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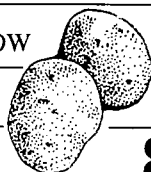
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